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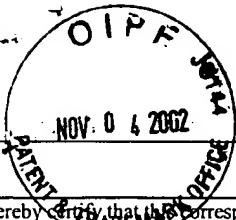
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This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 30, 2002. The Restriction Requirement set forth a one-month time period for response, making a response due on or before October 30, 2002. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

**I. REMARKS**

In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner required election of one of the following groups of claims:

- Group I: Claims 1-16, drawn to a peptidic compounds and a composition thereof comprising one or more moieties that are phosphorylated *in vitro* or *in vivo* by physiologic enzymes and a method of reducing a phosphate level thereof;
- Group II: Claims 17, drawn to a method of increasing incorporation of phosphorus into bone in an individual by administering the composition recited in claim 17;
- Group III: Claim 18, drawn to a method of increasing bone strength in an individual by administering the composition recited in claim 18
- Group IV: Claims 19, drawn to a method of treating a bone disease in an individual by administering the composition recited in claim 19.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 1-16), with traverse. Applicants expressly reserve the right under 35 USC §121 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-lected subject matter during the pendency of this application.

This election is made with traverse. As stated in the MPEP §803, if search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes